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## U.S. Occupied Area of Germany:

In the following Appendices "A", "B" and "C" are summaries of communicable disease cases and deaths by Regierungsbezirk and Land, and case rates by Regierungsbezirk and Land for the week ended 27 December 1947.

### Communicable Diseases:

There was a decided drop in the number of reported cases of all communicable diseases during the current week due to the fact that German public health offices were closed for a long Christmas holiday. No particular significance can be attributed to the decreases of the week.

All communicable disease incidence rates were lower during the month of December than during November with the exception of infectious jaundice, scabies and influenza, which were only slightly higher than during the previous month. Comparing December 1947 with December 1946 the rates of incidence of diphtheria, whooping cough, scabies and measles were considerably lower during the current month. The incidence of diphtheria was 24.9 per 10,000 population per annum in December 1946, and 17.6 in December 1947. Likewise, the rates for whooping cough were 13.1 and 4.8, for scabies 105.6 and 67.8, and for measles 35.4 and 11.7. Although there were lesser changes in the venereal diseases the respective rates for gonorrhea were 44.4 and 38.2 and for syphilis 23.2 and 22.2.

Scarlet fever, tuberculosis, poliomyelitis, infectious jaundice and influenza were the only communicable diseases with a higher rate of incidence in December 1947 than in the corresponding month of the previous year. The rate of incidence of influenza was 1.3 in December 1946 and 6.0 for December 1947. The respective rates of tuberculosis of the lungs and larynx were 20.3 and 23.6, of poliomyelitis 0.2 and 0.4, of scarlet fever 5.4 and 7.0 and of infectious jaundice 0.4 and 2.4.



# APPENDIX "A"

## Communicable Disease Report U.S. Occupied Area of Germany for Week ending 27 December 1947

Regierungs- bezirk	Popu- lation a)	Reported Number of New CASES and DEATHS from COMMUNICABLE DISEASES																			c: Cases		d: Deaths								
		Typhus Fever Louse Borne		Smallpox	Anthrax	Relapsing Fever	Cholera	Plague	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Tuberculosis Lung and Larynx	Tuberculosis other	Whooping Cough	Meningitis	Meningococcus	Poliomyelitis	Gonorrhea	Syphilis	Typhoid Fever	Paratyphoid	Dysentery	Bact. Food Poisoning	Undulant Fever	Infectious Jaundice	Scabies	Encephalitis epid.	Rabies	Malaria	Influenza	Measles	
TOTAL US Occupied Area	18,664,300	P	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Unterfranken	1,041,200	P	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ober- and Mittelfranken	2,380,500	P	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Niederbayern and Oberpfalz	2,066,700	P	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Schwaben	1,254,400	P	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Oberbayern	2,487,600	P	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kassel	1,272,900	P	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wiesbaden	1,602,600	P	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Darmstadt	1,308,800	P	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Baden	1,422,000	P	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wuerttemberg	2,321,100	P	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bremen	504,200	P	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Berlin (US Sector)	1,002,300	P	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

a) Official population estimate established by Civil Administration Division, OMGUS, as of 1 October 1947.

+ Indicates no data submitted. — Indicates no cases reported.



# APPENDIX "B" Communicable Disease Report (by Land) U.S.Occupied Area of Germany for Week ending 27 December 1947

Land	Popu- lation a)	Reported Number of New CASES and DEATHS from COMMUNICABLE DISEASES c: Cases d: Deaths																													
		Cases, Deaths	Typhus Fever	Smallpox	Anthrax	Relapsing Fever	Cholera	Plague	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Tuberculosis Lung and Larvnx	Tuberculosis other	Whooping Cough	Meningitis	Meningococcus	Poliomyelitis	Gonorrhea	Syphilis	Typhoid Fever	Paratyphoid	Dysentery infectious	Bact. Food Poisoning	Undulant Fever	Infectious Jaundice	Scabies	Encephalitis epid.	Rabies	Malaria	Influenza	Measles	
Total US Occupied Area	18,664,300	P 2	—	—	—	—	—	437 19	168 2	621 60	125 13	96 1	8 6	7 —	848 —	539 2	51 5	18 1	8 —	1 —	—	1 —	—	49 —	1658 —	1 —	—	2 —	199 —	254 —	
Bavaria	9,230,400	P 2	—	—	—	—	—	187 15	56 334	334 38	61 4	74 1	7 5	—	—	—	—	319 240	190 188	30 4	11 4	2 —	—	—	31 —	1109 —	1 —	—	1 —	178 —	187 —
Hesse	4,184,300	P 2	—	—	—	—	—	121 1	69 1	132 12	27 6	15 1	1 —	2 —	240 —	188 —	4 —	4 1	3 —	—	—	—	—	8 —	387 —	—	—	—	—	—	39 —
Wuerttemberg- Baden	3,743,100	P 2	—	—	—	—	—	92 3	35 —	104 6	23 2	5 —	—	—	125 —	72 —	12 —	2 —	1 —	—	—	1 —	—	—	9 —	130 —	—	—	1 —	—	16 —
Bremen	504,200	P 2	—	—	—	—	—	25 —	3 —	22 —	5 —	2 —	—	—	—	129 —	62 —	2 —	1 —	—	—	—	—	1 —	32 —	—	—	—	—	21 —	12 —
Berlin (US Sector)	1,002,300	P 2	—	—	—	—	—	12 —	5 —	29 4	9 —	—	—	—	3 —	35 —	27 —	3 —	—	—	1 —	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Case Rates Expressed as per 10,000 Population per Annum

Total US Occupied Area	18,664,300	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	12.2	4.7	17.3	3.5	2.7	0.2	0.2	23.6	15.0	1.4	0.5	0.2	0.0	—	—	—	1.4	46.2	0.0	—	0.1	5.5	7.1
Bavaria	9,230,400	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10.5	3.2	18.8	3.4	4.2	0.4	0.1	18.0	10.7	1.7	0.6	0.1	—	—	—	—	1.7	62.5	0.1	—	0.1	10.0	10.5
Hesse	4,184,300	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	15.0	8.6	16.4	3.4	1.9	0.1	0.2	29.8	23.4	0.5	0.5	0.4	—	—	—	—	1.0	48.1	—	—	—	—	4.8
Wuerttemberg-Baden	3,743,100	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	12.8	4.9	14.4	3.2	0.7	—	0.1	17.4	10.0	1.7	0.3	0.1	0.1	—	—	—	1.2	18.0	—	—	1.0	—	2.2
Bremen	504,200	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	25.8	3.1	22.7	5.2	2.1	—	—	133.0	63.9	2.1	1.0	1.0	—	—	—	—	1.0	33.0	—	—	—	21.6	12.4
Berlin (US Sector)	1,002,300	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6.2	2.6	15.0	4.7	+	—	—	1.6	18.2	14.0	1.6	—	—	—	—	—	—	+	—	—	—	+	—

a) Official population estimate established by Civil Administration Division, OMGUS, as of 1 October 1947.

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# APPENDIX "C" Communicable Disease Rates U.S. Occupied Area of Germany for Week ending 27 December 1947

Regierungs- Bezirk	Popu- lation a)	Typhus Fever	Smallpox	Anthrax	Relapsing Fever	Cholera	Plague	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Tuberculosis Lung & Larynx	Tuberculosis other	Whooping Cough	Meningococcus	Gonorrhea	Syphilis	Typhoid Fever	Paratyphoid	Dysentery infectious	Bact. Food Poisoning	Undulant Fever	Infectious Jaundice	Scabies	Encephalitis Epidemic	Rabies	Malaria	Influenza	Measles
Total US Occupied Area	18,604,300	—	—	—	—	—	12.2	4.7	17.3	3.5	2.7	0.2	0.2	23.6	15.0	1.4	0.5	0.2	0.0	—	1.4	46.2	0.0	—	0.1	5.5	7.1
Unterfranken	1,041,200	—	—	—	—	—	6.5	2.0	27.0	21.0	6.5	—	—	14.0	14.5	0.5	3.5	—	—	—	1.0	67.4	—	—	—	9.5	20.0
Ober- and Mittelfranken	2,380,500	—	—	—	—	—	10.9	4.8	10.0	0.2	4.6	0.2	—	4.4	11.1	0.9	0.2	—	—	—	4.2	84.3	0.2	—	0.2	29.0	14.4
Niederbayern and Oberpfalz	2,066,700	—	—	—	—	—	10.8	1.5	29.4	2.0	3.8	0.8	—	28.2	9.0	3.5	—	—	—	—	—	75.7	—	—	—	—	5.8
Schwaben	1,254,400	—	—	—	—	—	7.0	2.9	19.5	0.8	6.6	—	—	20.3	9.5	1.2	—	—	—	—	1.6	38.6	—	—	—	0.4	14.9
Oberbayern	2,487,600	—	—	—	—	—	13.4	3.6	14.6	1.7	1.9	0.6	0.2	23.0	10.7	1.7	0.6	0.4	—	—	1.2	40.6	—	—	—	5.2	4.6
Kassel	1,272,900	—	—	—	—	—	14.3	4.5	25.3	6.5	—	—	—	16.3	17.2	—	—	—	—	—	0.8	52.3	—	—	—	—	3.7
Wiesbaden	1,602,600	—	—	—	—	—	10.4	12.3	20.4	1.3	1.3	—	0.3	54.5	44.4	0.3	0.6	0.3	—	—	0.6	28.2	—	—	—	—	7.5
Darmstadt	1,308,800	—	—	—	—	—	21.4	7.9	2.8	2.8	4.4	0.4	0.4	12.7	3.6	1.2	0.8	0.8	—	—	1.6	68.3	—	—	—	—	2.8
Baden	1,422,000	—	—	—	—	—	11.3	2.9	26.7	5.5	0.7	—	—	28.5	14.6	2.2	0.7	0.4	—	—	—	31.8	—	—	—	—	—
Wuerttemberg	2,321,100	—	—	—	—	—	13.7	6.0	6.9	1.8	0.7	—	0.2	10.5	7.2	1.3	—	—	0.2	—	2.0	9.6	—	—	0.2	—	3.6
Bremen	504,200	—	—	—	—	—	25.8	3.1	22.7	5.2	2.1	—	—	133.0	63.9	2.1	1.0	1.0	—	—	1.0	33.0	—	—	—	21.6	12.4
Berlin (US Sector)	1,002,300	—	—	—	—	—	6.2	2.6	15.0	4.7	+	—	—	1.6	18.2	14.0	1.6	—	—	—	—	+	—	—	—	—	+

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